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Applicant: Dallas J. Bergh 03AB177
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington DC 20231

Box: Amendment

Dear Sir:

In response to the Patent Office Action dated June 30, 2005, please amend the above application as follows.

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Remarks

As an initial matter, Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 16-28, 35 and 36 as originally filed.

The Office Action rejected each of claims 1 and 29 as anticipated by Funayama. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

With respect to claim 1, claim 1 requires, among other things, a relay assembly that includes a trip free reset assembly that is linked to other relay assembly components for manually resetting the relay after the relay is tripped. As taught in the present specification, the phrase "trip free" is used to describe a relay that is openable even while a reset button is pressed (see page 1, last line through page 2, lines 1-2).

While Funayama teaches a relay that includes pins that extend therefrom for connection, in at least some cases, to a circuit board, Funayama fails to teach or